PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF: Mao et al.

SERIAL No.: 09/867,201

FILED: May 29, 2001

FOR: SEQUENCING BY PROXY

EXAMINER: Unknown

ART UNIT: 1645

Confirmation No. 5899

Amendment

Mail Stop MISSING PARTS Commissioner for Patents P. O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Prior to examination, Applicants respectfully request entry of the following amendments.